

MINUTES
BOARD OF STATE AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS MEETING
Thursday, July 17, 2025
10:00 A.M.
BOARD MEETING

Meeting Held In-Person, Zoom & Teleconference

2590 Venture Oaks Way
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The full recording of the meeting can be viewed here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Glj00-sSuAg>

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Linda Penner called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and welcomed the Board members and the public.

Chair Penner thanked Chief Branning for attending the meeting and joining from a public location while on vacation. She acknowledged the July meeting is always a difficult meeting to get a quorum and thanked those in attendance.

Chair Penner noted that Scott Budnick, Judge Gaard, Dr. Lai, and Jeff Macomber were not able to attend the meeting, and Chief Branning, Chief Scott, Chief Taylor, and Norma Cumpian were joining the meeting remotely. Norma Cumpian, Chief Branning, and Sheriff Taylor were joining from public locations, and the locations were listed on the BSCC website.

Chair Penner welcomed Joanna Gonzales, the new Board Secretary and asked her to provide the instructions on public participation for the meeting. Ms. Gonzales called roll and announced that there was a quorum.

The Following members were in attendance:

Chair Penner Dr. Bowlbs Sheriff Taylor* Chief Haynes Chief Branning*
Chief Scott* Ms. Zaragoza Ms. Cumpian* Dr. Castro- Rodriguez

*Board members attended remotely through Zoom

II. Information Items

1. Chair's Report

Chair Penner announced that Joanna Gonzales is the new Board Secretary and assistant to the executives. She thanked Natalya Segura, interim Secretary, and she thanked all BSCC staff who stepped in to assist in the position after the prior Board Secretary's departure.

Chair Penner deferred to Executive Director Aaron Maguire for the Executive Director's Report.

2. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Aaron Maguire reported the following:

Update on Budget and the inspections / reinspection of the Los Angeles County Juvenile Detention facilities:

- Updates on the inspections and reinspection of the Los Angeles County Juvenile Detention facilities.
 - At the June 12, 2025 Board meeting it was anticipated to have Barry J. Nidorf Juvenile Hall, on the agenda but it was pulled because reinspection of the facility by the BSCC was still pending. Since then, the inspections have occurred. However, this item is still not on the agenda for consideration because it has been determined that Barry J. Nidorf continues to be out of compliance. The reinspection occurred between June 24 and July 1, 2025, as part of the depopulation plan for predisposition male youth at Los Padrinos, but Barry J. Nidorf is still unsuitable for use as a juvenile hall. The Board determined back in May 2023 that Barry J. Nidorf failed to meet the standards and has nine separate items of non-compliance; therefore, it continues to remain out of compliance. As there are no youth currently housed at the Nidorf juvenile hall, the inspection team inspected the Secured Youth Treatment Facility

(SYTF) at the Barry J. Nidorf Campus. After the inspection, it was also deemed out of compliance. A new inspection report was issued based on those findings and that is why Barry J. Nidorf is not on the agenda again.

- As a brief update on Kilpatrick (CVK), on July 7, 2025, a site visit was conducted, as the county planned to house pre and post disposition female youth currently housed at Los Padrinos. After the updated proposed staffing plan was reviewed, it was determined that CVK is would not be in compliance with minimum standards. Technical Assistance was provided to CVK on July 9, 2025 and then on July 11, 2025 additional information was provided to Judge Espinoza and the court. The next court date with Judge Espinoza was scheduled for July 18, 2025. The next step is to wait on what Judge Espinoza will do next based on the current status of the facilities.

Mr. Maguire concluded the update and Chair Penner encouraged the Board to ask their questions at that point. Ms. Zaragoza, asked if pending for Barry J, SYTF is now a corrective action plan? Mr. Maguire said they have 60 days to submit a corrective action plan based on the items of non-compliance that were found at the SYTF. Ms. Zaragoza asked if there is an expected date for updates on the items pending, Mr. Maguire said that there are no dates yet, and he is not aware of a timeline.

Chief Haynes asked if there were currently kids in Camp Kirkpatrick, Mr. Maguire confirmed there are no kids currently housed there. Chief Haynes asked if it was determined that because Barry J. does not currently house youth in their juvenile hall, that the best that could be done was to look at the SYTF program? Mr. Maguire said that the challenge of using juvenile hall program is when the facility has been vacated it is difficult to determine whether the compliance issues were remedied or not, and because the youth at Barry J. Nidorf were comingled between the SYTF and Juvenile Hall populations it was important to check the status of how they functioned and in doing so it was determined they were out of compliance with regulations that had previously made the juvenile hall unsuitable. Chief Haynes asked if they submit an acceptable CAP within the 60 days and if they overcome the issues and are found back in compliance will they request another re-inspection? Mr. Maguire anticipates that is what will happen.

Chair Penner asked if there was public comment on this issue for Los Angeles County before moving on the budget update. There were no public comments.

- Update on the Budget:
 - A summary of the May Revision was sent to the Board and a final Budget summary would be sent out. There was an approval for the extension for the Mobile Probation grant program and it was added to the Agenda for this meeting as a consent item to effectuate that extension for the Board.

There were no public comments for this item.

3. Legislative Update

Mr. Maguire provided the legislative update on Assembly Bill 134 and Senate Bill 141, which are both items on the agenda for this meeting.

- AB 134 is a budget trailer bill that impacts the Board. This bill removes the requirements for CCP plan reporting and has significant amendments to the welfare and institutions Code Section 209 which governs the suitability process for the juvenile facilities. Specifically, these amendments were included in this bill so that the BSCC can conduct inspections more than bi-annually, which has been an issue that the Los Angeles Probation Department previously raised and questioned the BSCC being in the facility more often than once every other year. It outlines that the Board can appropriately and properly delegate the authority to approve corrective action plans to staff and it explicitly authorizes the BSCC to file a lawsuit to enforce the provisions of Welfare and Institutions Code Section 209.
- SB 41 has to do with Prop 64, the cannabis regulation grant. This measure expands the eligibility of potential grant recipients by removing the eligibility requirement that a jurisdiction had to allow retail sales and cultivation in order to participate in this grant program, now the cultivation requirement has been removed. So, if a jurisdiction provides for retail sale of cannabis products it can now participate in this grant program. The Department of Cannabis Control estimates that approximately 50 additional jurisdictions will become eligible for this grant. This measure also allows the Board to consider establishing a formula grant program in addition to the competitive grant program that is currently administered which the Board may want to consider to allow some baseline funding for marijuana mitigation and enforcement compliance programs.

Chief Haynes had a clarifying question regarding AB 134 and the CAP process. He asked if staff now could approve a corrective action plan, then would the approval and disapproval have to come to the Board to ratify it? Mr. Maguire confirmed he is correct and went on to say administratively staff will approve or disapprove the CAPs and it is anticipated that this will be a standing Board agenda item for the approval and disapproval of those CAPs for ratification. Chief Haynes asked if this will be as a regular agenda item or a consent item on the consent calendar and Mr. Maguire stated that the vast majority of CAPs will be on the consent calendar without need for further discussion from the Board.

Chair Penner called for public comment. There were no public comments.

Chair Penner asked the Legal Update. Mr. Maguire said there was no legal update but did ask that members of the Board look at the consent items and recuse if they need to. Chief Haynes indicated he would recuse for consent item C.

III. **Action: Consent Items**

A. [Minutes from the June 12, 2025 Board Meeting](#): **Requesting Approval**

B. [Proposed 2026 Board of State and Community Corrections Meeting Schedule](#): **Requesting Approval**

Items A and B were voted on together, there were no recusals. Chief Scott moved approval for Agenda Items A and B. Ms. Zaragoza seconded. The motion for Consent items A and B was approved by all members present.

C. [Mobile Probation Service Centers Grant – Extension of Time for Purchase](#): **Requesting Approval**

Chief Haynes recused and left the room for this item. Dr. Bowlds moved approval for Agenda Item C. Ms. Zaragoza seconded. The motion for Consent Item B was approved by all board members present.

Chair Penner called for public comment. There were no public comments for Consent Items A, B, and C.

IV. **Action: Discussion Items**

D. [Byrne Justice Assistance Grant \(JAG\) – Release of Request for Applications](#): **Requesting Approval**

- Attachment D-1: [JAG Request for Applications \(RFA\) – Draft](#)
- Attachment D-2: [JAG Multi-Year State Strategy](#)
- Attachment D-3: [JAG RFA Fund Allocation by County](#)

Chief Taylor, Chief Branning, and Chief Haynes recused for this item.

Field Representative Ian Silva with the Corrections Planning and Grant Programs division presented this agenda item which requested Board approval to release the Request for Applications (RFA). Mr. Silva recommended the Board to approve the release of the Edward Burn Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program non-competitive request for applications, delegate authority to staff to approve awards to applications that meet the criteria defined in the RFA with such approvals having the same legal force and effect as if approved by the BSCC board and to authorize staff to distribute unallocated funds among grant awardees if funds remain allocated after all awards have been made.

Chair Penner asked for any comments or questions on Item D. There were none.

Dr. Bowlds moved for approval. Ms. Zaragoza seconded. The motion for Discussion item D was approved by all board members present.

- E. [Missing and Murdered Indigenous People \(MMIP\) Grant, Cohort 3 Funding Recommendations: Requesting Approval](#)
- Attachment E-1: [MMIP Executive Steering Committee Roster](#)
 - Attachment E-2: [MMIP Cohort 3 Funding Recommendations](#)
 - Attachment E-3: [MMIP Cohort 3 Project Summaries](#)
 - Attachment E-4: [MMIP 2024 Budget Language](#)

Field Representative Eddie Escobar with the Corrections Planning and Grant Programs division presented this agenda item and requested the board to fully fund 14 proposals totaling \$12.58 million for grant projects to federally recognized tribes in California and support efforts to identify, collect case level data, publicize, investigate and solve cases involving missing and murdered indigenous people. Also, partially fund one proposal for \$344,489, which authorizes staff to continue awarding funds from the rank list and if any applicant is unable to accept the award, has to relinquish an award, or is deemed ineligible have the funding be first offered to the partial awardee followed by the next highest ranked applicant. Staff also recommends authorizing staff to continue awarding funds from the rank list if a grantee becomes ineligible or relinquishes an award during the grant period. And lastly, it recommends dissolving the MMIP executive steering committee upon approval of the funding recommendations. Mr. Escobar thanked Board member Norma Cumpian for serving as chair of the ESC and thanked the other ESC members, Mary Lopez Kefir, Matt Hansen, HD Hitch, Hitchcock, Walter Kurtz, Priscilla Friselle, and Key Linton for their hard work and commitment to the success of the MMIP program over the last three years.

Chair Penner thanked Board member Norma Cumpian for her participation on the ESC. Norma Cumpian in return thanked the BSCC for their work and opportunity to participate.

Chief Scott asked if the funding has a requirement for educating the public on this issue since there seems to be a lack of knowledge on this issue? Mr. Escobar said that the Legislature has put out reports about the issue but there is no requirement that he is aware of. Chair Penner asked if there is a requirement for training or outreach to inform the public about the grant. Collen Curtain, Deputy Director of CPGP stepped in and clarified that there is no requirement for the tribes or the BSCC to educate the public however, many of the tribes have incorporated that as a part of their proposal. They will do education among their own tribal communities and outside regions, but it is not a requirement of the grant.

Chair Penner asked for any comments or questions from the Board or the public on Item E. There were none.

Chief Taylor moved for approval. Dr. Bowlds seconded. The motion for Discussion item E was approved by all board members present.

F. Proposition 64 Health & Human Safety Grant – Appointment of Chair and Establishment of Executive Steering Committee: **Requesting Approval**

- Attachment F-1: Revenue and Taxation Code, § 34019

Chief Taylor recused for this item.

Field Representative Helene Zentner with the Corrections Planning and Grant Programs division presented this agenda item and requests the Board designate a Chair for the establishment of the Prop 64 cohort 4 ESC, delegates authority to that Chair to work with BSCC staff in establishing a diverse ESC membership with relevant subject matter expertise, and to authorize the ESC to oversee the development of the Prop 64 grant Cohort 4 request for proposals according to the tentative timeline.

Chair Penner asked for any comments or questions from the Board or the public on Item F. There were none.

Chair Penner announced that Chief Branning has agreed to Chair the Executive Steering Committee for Prop 64.

Chief Scott moved for approval. Dr. Bowlds seconded. The motion for Discussion item F was approved by all board members present.

G. Local Detention Facilities Inspection Update: **Information Only**

- Attachment G-1: Outstanding Items of Non-Compliance

Facility Standards and Operations Acting Deputy Director, Steven Wicklander presented this agenda item and provided an update on the local detention facilities inspections completed. The 2025-2026 inspection cycle began on January 1st, 2025 and will conclude on December 31st of 2026. Mr. Wicklander provided the following update:

- The adult detention facility inspections team has completed 52 comprehensive inspections, 17 unannounced inspections, and 94 pre-inspection briefs of type two and type three facilities.
 - Currently, there are currently 29 outstanding corrective action items of non-compliance, the reports reflect 33, but as of the morning of this meeting it was reduced by four. The FSO team is working with the agencies to correct the non-compliance items, the non-compliance items do not rise to the level of requesting a sheriff to appear before the Board at this time.
- Moving on to our juvenile facility inspections, the team has completed 31 comprehensive inspections, 15 unannounced inspections, and 71 pre-inspection briefs of juvenile facilities.
 - Currently there are four outstanding items of non-compliance in two Los Angeles juvenile facilities. One at Camp Afflerbaugh and three at Barry J Naidorf. The corrective action plan for Camp Afflerbaugh is due August 8th of 2025 and for Barry J Naidorf it is due September 1st of 2025.

Mr. Wicklander said the assigned field representative is collaborating with the agencies to correct these items of non-compliance and directed people to the BSCC website dashboard for summaries and details of each item of non-compliance for both adult and juvenile facilities.

This was an information only item, no vote was required.

V. Public Comments

Chair Penner called for public comment. There was no Public comment for this meeting. The meeting will be adjourned after the closed session.

VI. Closed Session – Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Pending Litigation (Gov. Code § 11126, subd. (e)(1) & (2)(A).)

- *County of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Probation Department v. Board of State and Community Corrections*, Case No. 25STCP01415 – (Gov. Code, § 11126, subd. (e)(2)(A).)

- *One additional matter* – Gov. Code, § 11126, subd. (e)(2)(C).)

VII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at: 11:28 A.M.

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

BSCC BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Chair Penner, Chair, Board of State and Community Corrections
2. Mr. Haynes, Chief Probation Officer, Fresno County
3. Ms. Zaragoza, Attorney, Deputy Executive Director of Youth Justice Programs LA Room & Board
4. Ms. Bowlds, PsyD, Director (A), Division of Adult Parole Operations, CDCR
5. Ms. Castro Rodriguez, PsyD, LMFT

Participated Remotely:

6. Mr. Taylor, Sheriff, San Benito County
7. Ms. Branning, Chief Probation Officer, Lassen County
8. Chief Scott, Lassen County
9. Ms. Cumpian, Associate Director, Anti-Recidivism Coalition

Absent:

10. Mr. Budnick, Founder of Anti-Recidivism Coalition
11. Mr. Macomber, Secretary, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
12. Ms. Gaard, Retired Judge, Yolo County
13. Ms. Lai, M.D. Berkeley, Alameda County

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Steve Wicklander, Acting Deputy Director, Facility Standards and Operations